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The excursion rate will not be accepted on trains, and passengers not provided with tickets will be charged the regular full fare.

Memorial Day.

The Washington Township Memorial Association is making exceptional preparations for the observance of Decoration Day this year. For many years this association has been in the habit of properly observing the day and there is probably no place in this section where Memorial Day is as religiously observed as in the Beechwoods, which community has always furnished its shares of the heroes to offer their lives for the benefit of their country. It is a beautiful custom they have in Washington township in keeping the memories of those who have served their country fresh in the minds of the rising generation, and once each year paying a little extraordinary attention to the grass that grows green over the graves of their heroes. This year an exceptional program has been prepared and the speakers are better, if possible, than usual. Many persons who formerly lived in the Beechwoods will come back and drop a flower to brighten for a day a sacred grave, and then to mingle itself with the dust over the bones of the dead.—*Falls Creek Herald.*

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EXCHEQUER TALLIES.

Wooden Money That Was at One Time Current in England.

Wooden money in the shape of exchequer tallies was current prior to the establishment of the Bank of England in 1694. Tallies was the name given to the notched sticks formerly in use in England for keeping the accounts of the exchequer. They were square rods of hazel or willow, inscribed on one side with notches indicating the sum for which the tally was an acknowledgment and on two other sides with the sum in Roman characters.

When the transaction was completed the tally recording it was split lengthwise, so that each section contained a half of each notch and one of the written sides. One half, called the tally, or check, was given to the person for whose service it was intended, and the other half, called the counter tally, was retained in the exchequer until its corresponding tally should be brought in by the person who had last given value for it.

It thus became a current token representing cash. After the establishment of the Bank of England government payments were made through its agency. The use of tallies in the exchequer was abolished by statute 23, George III. The old tallies were by acts 4 and 5, William IV., ordered to be destroyed, and it was burning them that caused the conflagration by which the old houses of parliament were demolished.—*London Tit-Bits.*

AN ABRIDGED BIBLE.

Why Only the Two Covers and a Few Tatters Were Left.

At a gathering of several ministers one of them, who is opposed to the so called "higher criticism," told the following story:

"One day a member of a certain church, who had listened attentively for five years to the preaching of his pastor, took to the divine his Bible, which was truly a sight to behold, with whole books clipped out here or a passage gone there. Indeed, between the covers there was little else left but a few shreds of paper. The pastor was horrified and rebuked his parishioner for using the Bible so shockingly. The parishioner meekly replied:

"It is all the result of your preaching. When I went home from church each Sunday I cut out of the book that which you had criticized in your sermon of that day. That verse on the Trinity was an interpolation, so out went the strong verse. Then the canonicity of this book and that was doubtful, so out went this book and that. John did not write the gospel of John, so out went what was called the gospel of John. This bit of history was not history, only allegory, so out went that false and deceiving thing. Positively, sir, I have been faithful with my shears, and this is all the Bible I have left—the two covers and a few tatters."—*Baltimore Sun.*

The Submarine Boat.

One of the earliest suggestions of the submarine was that of a British smuggler, Johnson, who invented a boat that was to travel under or above water. With this vessel he proposed to carry Napoleon from St. Helena, but the emperor died while the boat was under construction. The adherents of the emperor promised Johnson \$200,000 on the day the boat was ready to start and an immense sum if it proved successful. Some years later Johnson built a boat with which he experimented in the Thames for the British admiralty. In this connection it may be mentioned that one of Napoleon's marshals, Massena, began life as a smuggler on a large scale, and Commodore Thurot of the French navy of that time obtained his knowledge of the British coasts while in the employ of a smuggler.

Glass Eyes.

The earliest notice of artificial eyes I am acquainted with occurs in a very rare work by the French surgeon Ambrose Pare, entitled "La Methode Curative des Playes et Fractures de la Teste Humaine," Paris, 1561. Pare gives a description and figures of artificial eyes to be worn in cases where the eyeball has given way and all the humors have escaped. They are to be segments of a hollow sphere, made of gold, coated with enamel painted in natural colors. With the exception of the gold, they are exactly like the eyes in use at the present time, which are made wholly of glass.—*Notes and Queries.*

How It Happened.

"Is it true, ma," asked the little rabbit, "that pa was shot by an amateur gunner?"

"Certainly not," replied the mother rabbit. "You see, the amateur gunner was shooting at me, while your poor pa sat behind him and laughed. Unfortunately the gun kicked, and the man sat down on your pa and killed him."—*Philadelphia Press.*

Never Hits It.

Gadsby—That fellow Nosce is a regular fortune hunter. Raynor—Well, he's a mighty poor shot.—*Judge.*

The deeper the sorrow the less tongue hath it.—*Tulmud.*

HER PRECIOUS SPOONS.

She Used Them For Show at Luncheon With Disastrous Results.

Considerable quiet laughter has been going on among the guests at a luncheon given by a young West Philadelphia bride the other day to the attendants at her wedding. There had been among the hostess' presents at the time of her marriage a particularly beautiful set of spoons, and, while she had no occasion to use them at this particular luncheon, she thought that she would put one beside each cover for—well, just for instance.

Unfortunately, however, there was one stranger in the merry little company which sat down about the table, a pretty, outspoken, somewhat "gushy" young woman from the west, and it was she who caused all the trouble.

As the luncheon neared its end and it became apparent that the spoons were not for use she kept eyeing the one at her place, and finally she burst forth with this flash of inspiration:

"These spoons—what perfectly lovely souvenirs!"

The chorus of praise was immediately taken up by all about the board. The confused hostess found explanation impossible, and every guest went away from the house with one of those precious spoons.—*Philadelphia Press.*

GOING SCOT FREE.

The Source From Which This Old Saying Emanated.

The origin of the old saying, "Going scot free," is this: Scot, from the Anglo-Saxon "scot," a portion, signified in old law a customary tax or contribution laid on subjects according to their ability and embraced all parochial assessments. The conclusion is obvious—namely, that to escape "scot free" was to avoid all such payments of dues and taxes.

Before the reform act the right to vote for parliamentary and municipal officers was vested exclusively in payers of "scot and lot." Rastall (1853) speaks of it as a certain tallage for the use of the sheriff or his bailiff, and in Kent the usual rates paid in Romney marsh for repairing sea walls are known by the same name.

"Scot," says Camden, "is that which from various sources is gathered into one heap"—literally that which is "shot" into a general fund, from the Dutch and low German "scot." This may have come to us through the old French "scot," diner a scot, to dine at an ordinary where each guest paid his "scot," and any one who did not contribute would be said to get off "scot free."—*London Answers.*

THE WORD HUMBURG.

There Are Various Plausible Explanations of Its Origin.

The word "humburg" has been traced back to the title page of "The Universal Jester," a choice collection of merry conceits, bonnets and humbugs, by Ferdinand Killgrew, London, 1735-40. The following are the most plausible and possible derivations:

In the time of James II, a worthless coin was minted at Dublin from a soft mixed metal, which became known as um bog, pronounced Oombug—i. e., soft copper, worthless money.

Some see in it a corruption of Hamburg, from which town so many false reports came during the war of 1799-1806 that such news was received with "Oh, that is a Hamburg!"

Others refer it to hum, in the sense of hoax, and bug, in the old sense of bugbear. Others say it is merely hum bug, used in combination to signify sound without sense. Others, again, think that it was first applied to Homberg, a chemist and an ardent seeker of the philosopher's stone.—*Notes and Queries.*

Drawing Two Things at Once.

At an evening party it was remarked that nobody could draw two things at once. Sir Edward Landseer, who was present, replied that he thought he could, and, taking a pencil in each hand, he drew simultaneously and without hesitation with the right hand the profile of a stag's head and all its antlers complete and with the left hand a lovely horse's head. The acts of draftsmanship were strictly simultaneous and not alternate, and the drawing by the left hand was as good as that by the right.

Von Bulow's Advice to a Girl.

It is to Dr. von Bulow that is debited the curt criticism of a young and very pretty girl's effort on the piano-forte. When she had struggled through one of Bach's fugues after the fashion of the ambitious maiden aspirant and asked the great master what he would advise her to do, "Go and get married," he answered as he turned away and left her.

Too Violent an Innovation.

"You told me you had an original idea in your novel."

"I had," was the reply, "but the publisher discovered it in the proof sheets and made me take it out."—*Washington Star.*

When a man marries in some other church everybody wonders whether he will go with his wife or she with him.—*Washington (La.) Democrat.*

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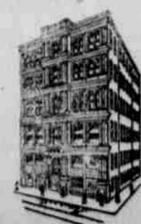
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